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Applicant(s): Kazuto Kobayashi et al.

Invention: EXPANSION VALVE

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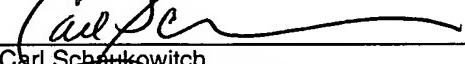
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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 4, 5 and 9-11 are amended.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)